far as our Jail Rules are concerned, and hence the necessity for this amendment. It is purely a non-controversial matter.

Mr. T. V. Subramania Ayyar *(Nemmara):* What was the practice before?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government):* By executive orders, it was being managed. We thought it would be better to have the power under the Act by amending the Act itself. It is only for that purpose.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* I second it.

Motion put and carried

Secretary to the Council: The title of the Bill is "The Cochin Prisons Act (Amendment) Bill."

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government):* I beg to move that S. O. 32 may be suspended and the Bill taken for consideration.

Deputy President: The S. O. is suspended.

Motion put and carried

Clauses 2 to 11 put and carried

Clause 1 put and carried

Title and Preamble put and carried

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government):* I move that the Bill be taken up and finally passed day after tomorrow.

Motion put and carried

The Cochin Lunacy Act (Amendment) Bill

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government):* I beg to move that The Cochin Lunacy Act (Amendment) Bill be read in Council.

Here also the same reasons as in the case of the Prisons Act (Amendment) Bill apply.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* I second it.

Motion put and carried

Secretary to the Council: The Title of the Bill is The Cochin Lunacy Act (Amendment) Bill.

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Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government):* I beg to move that the S. O. 32 may be suspended and the Bill taken for consideration.

Deputy President: S. O. 32 is suspended.

Motion put and carried

Clauses 2 and 3 put and carried

Clause 1 put and carried

Title and Preamble put and carried

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government):* I beg to move that the Bill be taken up and finally passed day after tomorrow.

Motion put and carried

Deputy President: We shall now take up resolutions

Resolutions

12. Marathakkara Diversion of the Manali River—Karuvannoor Flood Relief Scheme.—*(cont.)*

***Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar** *(Cheruthuruthi):* I wish to support this resolution. Sir, I listened with interest to the speech of the Hon'ble Member for Public Works and, if analysed, according to him, it would come to this that if this scheme is to be taken up, there should be another flood in that river. We will wait until there is another flood and then we will think of taking up this scheme. In effect that is what is disclosed by the analysis of his speech. I shall briefly explain what he said. He said that in 1099, there was a big flood. And, as a result of that, there was a lot of agitation and Government did some protective work. In 1104, there was another flood and the Government did some more work which was completed in 1106, and the Government is now watching the the results of that work to see whether they should do any other work. That is the next stage. This Marathakkara Diversion scheme is the next stage programmed by them for the Flood Prevention Scheme and also as an irrigation scheme. Now the Hon'ble Member for Public Works told us that he was waiting to see the result and I think in answer to one of the questions by one of the hon'ble members, the hon'ble member said that he wants to see how the water flows or how much water would flow through the river, so that he must finally decide whether he should take up the scheme. Now this brings me to the question, what exactly is this Marathakkara

* Speech not corrected by the hon'ble member

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